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FOR : COMBINATION OF AN ALLOSTERIC INHIBITOR
OF MATRIX METALLOPROTEINASE-13 WITH CELECOXIB
OR VALDECOXIB

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REMARKS

Claims 1-9 are pending in the application.

The currently pending claims are directed to a combination comprising valdecoxib, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, and an allosteric inhibitor of MMP-13, or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, a pharmaceutical composition comprising the combination, and a method of treating a disease or disorder using the combination. Applicants' instant paper does not amend the claims.

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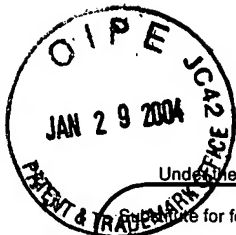
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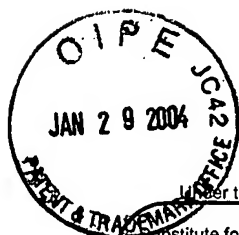
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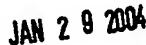
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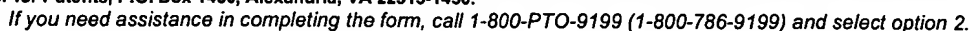
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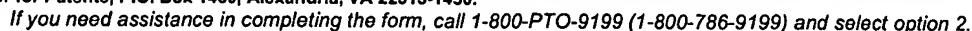
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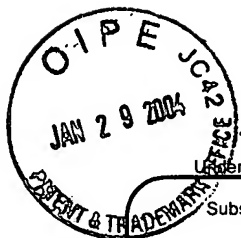
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